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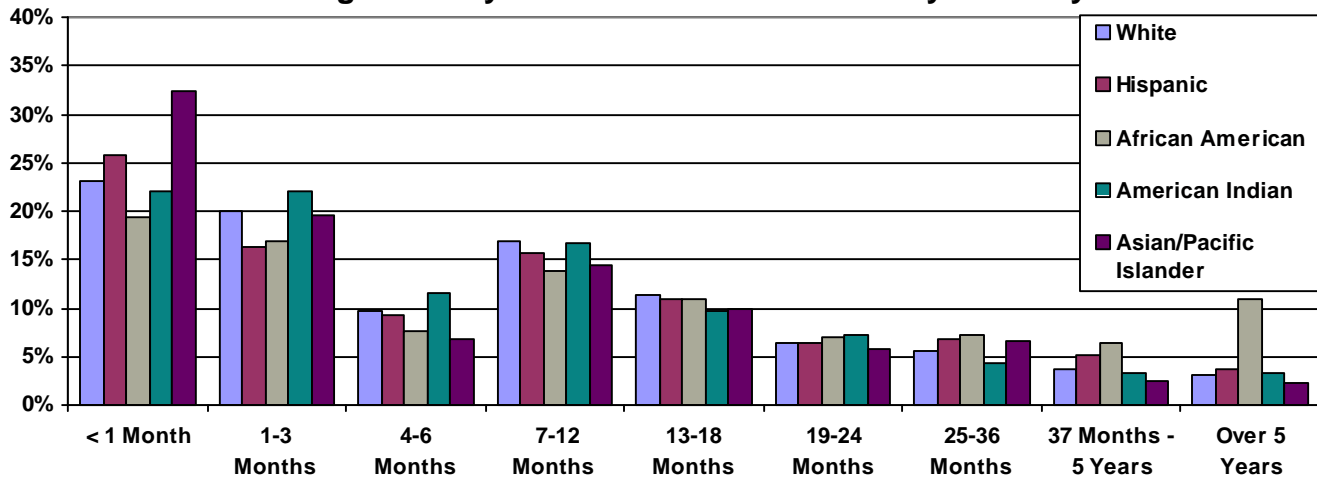## *Child Welfare Service / Case Management System*

Termination of Out-Of-Home Care Placements for Child Welfare Supervised Children

Calendar Year 2002 (Total CWS/CMS Cases: 36,923)

Length of Stay in Last Known Placement by Ethnicity

(Missing Ethnicity Data (n=482))

✓ The largest portion of Out-Of-Home Placement terminations occurred within the first month (24%).

✓ Asian/Pacific Islanders had the largest proportion ending in less than one month (33%).

✓ African American children had the largest proportion of out-of-home placements that terminated three or more years (11%).

• Average Stay at Last Known Placement by Ethnicity was highest for African American Children:

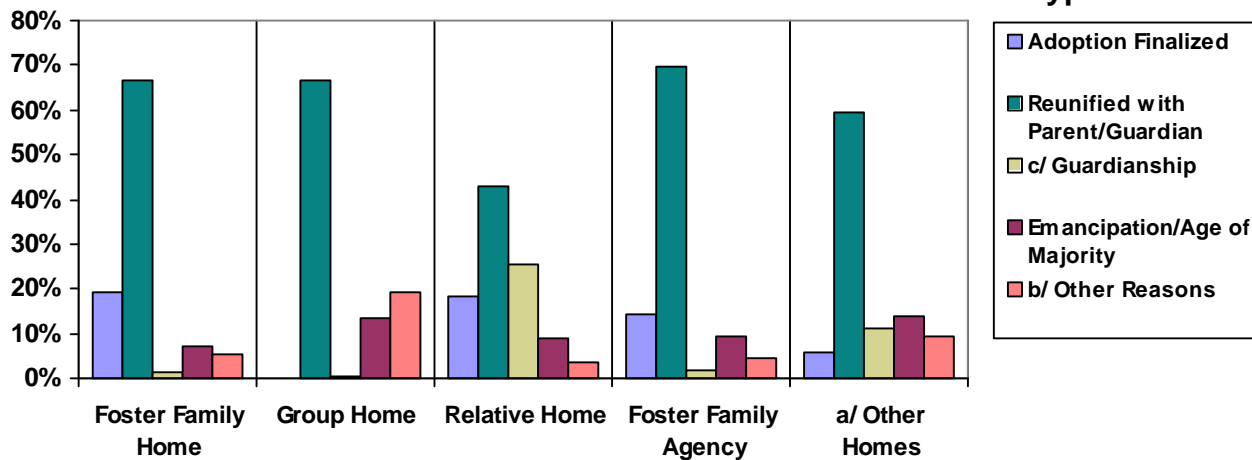| Ethnicity	Average Stay (Months)
White	12
Hispanic	13
African American	22
American Indian	12
a/ Other Races	10

• When comparing the Length of Stay in Last Known Placement by Termination Reason and Placement Home type we found the following:

✓ Termination of placements in Relative Homes represented the largest proportion for all ethnic groups except for Asian/Pacific Islander. Furthermore, length of stay was longer for placements in Relative Homes than any other, with 62% lasting 2 years or more.

✓ Reunification with Parent/Guardian were the most common reason for termination of placement within the first 18 months.

✓ Over three quarters of terminations by Adoption occurred after one year or more.

✓ The majority of cases that terminated due to Guardianship (73%) occurred after one year. The majority of these children were placed in relative homes and exited child welfare under the Kin-GAP program.

✓ The largest proportion of terminations by Emancipation/Age of Majority occurred at five years or more (19%).

✓ Nearly half of the terminated placements in all homes occurred within the first 6 months.

a/ Other Homes are facilities such as County Shelter/Receiving Homes, Court Specified Homes, Small Family Homes, and Tribe Specified Homes.

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Termination of Child Welfare Supervised Children Out-Of-Home Care Placements

Calendar Year 2002 (Total CWS/CMS Cases: 36,923)

Termination Reasons within Individual Placement Home Types

Legend:
- Adoption Finalized
- Reunified with Parent/Guardian
- c/ Guardianship
- Emancipation/Age of Majority
- b/ Other Reasons

(Missing Termination Reason Data (n=14))

- ✓ Termination due to Reunification represented the largest proportion of placement terminations for each placement home type.

- ✓ The largest proportion of terminations by Guardianship occurred in Relative Homes (25%). Children exiting to the Kin-GAP program represented the majority of these new guardianship cases.

- ✓ The largest proportions of terminated placements by Adoption occurred in Foster Family Homes (19%) and Relative Homes (18%). Almost none of the terminations by Adoption occurred out of Group Homes (0.8%).

- ✓ Termination by Emancipation/Age of Majority was most frequent for Relative Home placements followed by Group Homes (31%, 21%).

In additional analysis of race/ethic patterns of placement terminations, we found:

- ✓ African American children had the highest proportion of terminated Relative Home placements, with Asian/Pacific Islander having the lowest (38% vs. 21%).

- ✓ White and Asian/Pacific Islander children had the largest proportions of terminated Foster Family Home placements while African American children had the lowest proportion (22%, 22% vs. 17%).

- ✓ Asian/Pacific Islander children had the highest proportion of terminated placements from a/ Other Homes (21%).

a/ Other Homes are facilities such as County Shelter/Receiving Homes, Court Specified Homes, Small Family Homes, and Tribe Specified Homes.
b/ Other Reasons include reasons such as Child Ran Away, Child Refused Services, Death, Incarceration, and Committed to State Hospital.
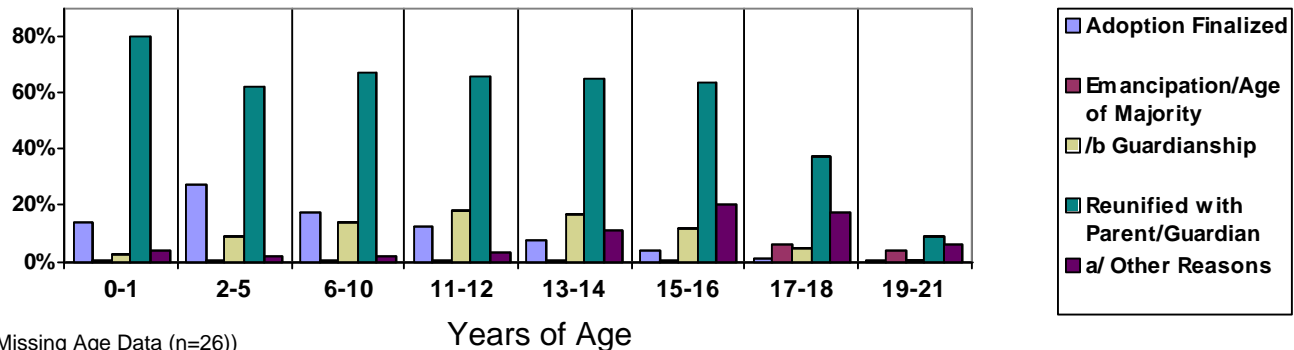c/ As of January 2000, Kin-GAP exits are included in terminations due to Guardianship.

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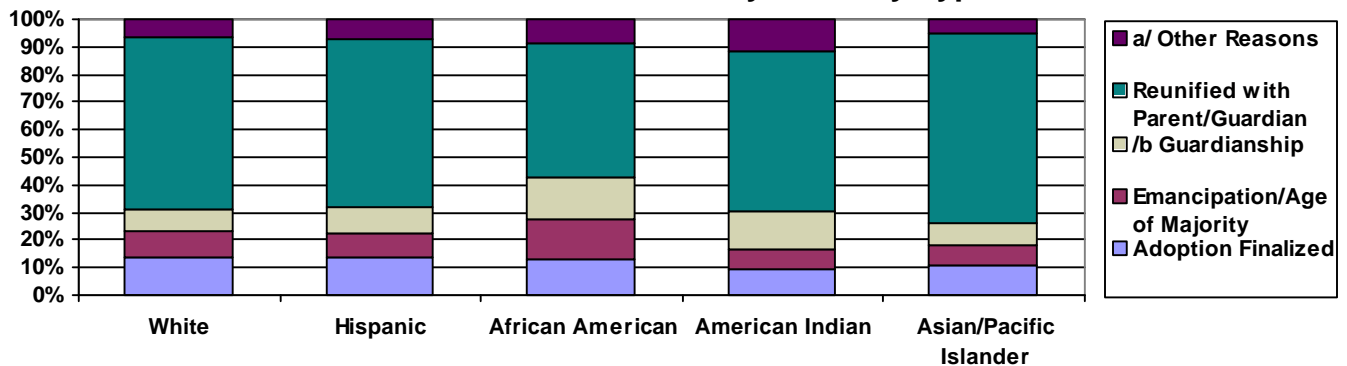### Placement Termination Reason by Age Group

Years of Age

(Missing Age Data (n=26))
(Missing Termination Reason Data (n=14))

- ✓ Reason for termination is strongly related to the child's age.

- ✓ Adoptions were most likely to occur for children age 10 years and younger.

- ✓ Reunification with Parent/Guardian was the most common termination reason for all ages.

- ✓ Children ages 2-5 years had the highest frequency of placement terminations by Adoption (28%).

- ✓ Children ages 11-12 years represented the highest proportion of termination due to Guardianship (18%).

- ✓ Children ages 13 and older represented the majority of terminations due to a/Other Reasons (82%).

Termination Placement Reason by Ethnicity Type

(Missing Ethnicity Data (n=411))
(Missing Termination Reason Data (n=14))

- ✓ Overall, the reasons for termination are similar across race/ethnic groups.

- ✓ Reunification with Parent/Guardian was the most common reason for placement termination for all children (59% of all cases), with African Americans having the lowest proportion among all ethnic groups (48%).

- ✓ African American children had the highest proportion of terminations by Emancipation/Age of Majority (15%).

- ✓ African American children also had the highest proportion of terminations by Guardianship followed by American Indian children (15%, 13%).

- ✓ Asian/Pacific Islander children were more likely to be reunited with their parents/guardians (69%), and White and Hispanic children were more likely to be adopted (14%, 14%).

a/ Other Reasons include reasons such as Child Ran Away, Child Refused Services, Death, Incarceration, and Committed to State Hospital.
b/ As of January 2000, Kin-GAP exits are included in terminations due to Guardianship.

Child Welfare Service / Case Management System
2002 County Child Welfare Supervised Placement Terminations by Race/Ethnicity

COUNTY	Total	White	%	Hispanic	%	African American	%	American Indian	%	Asian/ Pacific Isl.	%
STATEWIDE	36,512	13,193	36%	12,457	34%	9,016	25%	655	2%	1,191	3%
ALAMEDA	677	151	22%	99	15%	388	57%	8	1%	31	5%
ALPINE	1	1	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
AMADOR	14	13	93%	0	0%	1	7%	0	0%	0	0%
BUTTE	177	127	72%	23	13%	12	7%	10	6%	5	3%
CALAVERAS	36	26	72%	4	11%	0	0%	6	17%	0	0%
COLUSA	14	11	79%	3	21%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
CONTRA COSTA	527	191	36%	87	17%	225	43%	8	2%	16	3%
DEL NORTE	41	27	66%	5	12%	0	0%	7	17%	2	5%
EL DORADO	65	59	91%	2	3%	4	6%	0	0%	0	0%
FRESNO	1,003	309	31%	461	46%	188	19%	20	2%	25	2%
GLENN	25	19	76%	3	12%	2	8%	1	4%	0	0%
HUMBOLDT	86	55	64%	6	7%	2	2%	17	20%	6	7%
IMPERIAL	230	63	27%	134	58%	22	10%	11	5%	0	0%
INYO	4	2	50%	0	0%	0	0%	2	50%	0	0%
KERN	797	320	40%	353	44%	111	14%	9	1%	4	1%
KINGS	205	91	44%	89	43%	17	8%	2	1%	6	3%
LAKE	168	115	68%	27	16%	12	7%	14	8%	0	0%
LASSEN	60	42	70%	7	12%	1	2%	10	17%	0	0%
LOS ANGELES	6,315	996	16%	2,601	41%	2,546	40%	29	0%	143	2%
MADERA	58	22	38%	33	57%	3	5%	0	0%	0	0%
MARIN	59	21	36%	14	24%	20	34%	1	2%	3	5%
MARIPOSA	9	7	78%	0	0%	0	0%	2	22%	0	0%
MENDOCINO	99	58	59%	15	15%	4	4%	22	22%	0	0%
MERCED	226	80	35%	114	50%	23	10%	0	0%	9	4%
MODOC	22	17	77%	3	14%	1	5%	1	5%	0	0%
MONO	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MONTEREY	114	38	33%	56	49%	16	14%	0	0%	4	4%
NAPA	32	21	66%	9	28%	2	6%	0	0%	0	0%
NEVADA	60	53	88%	5	8%	0	0%	2	3%	0	0%
ORANGE	956	425	44%	389	41%	75	8%	2	0%	65	7%
PLACER	174	137	79%	15	9%	6	3%	6	3%	10	6%
PLUMAS	12	12	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
RIVERSIDE	1,494	636	43%	539	36%	264	18%	46	3%	9	1%
SACRAMENTO	1,816	825	45%	281	15%	596	33%	26	1%	88	5%
SAN BENITO	21	9	43%	11	52%	0	0%	0	0%	1	5%
SAN BERNARDINO	1,357	586	43%	437	32%	318	23%	7	1%	9	1%
SAN DIEGO	1,915	724	38%	654	34%	420	22%	36	2%	81	4%
SAN FRANCISCO	318	49	15%	47	15%	199	63%	2	1%	21	7%
SAN JOAQUIN	360	187	52%	74	21%	75	21%	0	0%	24	7%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	84	65	77%	17	20%	2	2%	0	0%	0	0%
SAN MATEO	134	37	28%	46	34%	35	26%	1	1%	15	11%
SANTA BARBARA	124	42	34%	63	51%	18	15%	1	1%	0	0%
SANTA CLARA	1,051	302	29%	520	49%	113	11%	9	1%	107	10%
SANTA CRUZ	138	56	41%	76	55%	4	3%	2	1%	0	0%
SHASTA	187	134	72%	13	7%	10	5%	24	13%	6	3%
SIERRA	1	1	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
SISKIYOU	63	47	75%	11	17%	0	0%	5	8%	0	0%
SOLANO	95	40	42%	9	9%	39	41%	3	3%	4	4%
SONOMA	108	68	63%	22	20%	12	11%	5	5%	1	1%
STANISLAUS	265	117	44%	116	44%	27	10%	1	0%	4	2%
SUTTER	48	28	58%	14	29%	2	4%	2	4%	2	4%
TEHAMA	86	66	77%	16	19%	3	3%	0	0%	1	1%
TRINITY	23	17	74%	4	17%	1	4%	0	0%	1	4%
TULARE	434	149	34%	226	52%	34	8%	23	5%	2	0%
TUOLUMNE	52	40	77%	4	8%	3	6%	4	8%	1	2%
VENTURA	198	86	43%	88	44%	19	10%	4	2%	1	1%
YOLO	74	37	50%	23	31%	8	11%	4	5%	2	3%
YUBA	66	52	79%	4	6%	2	3%	6	9%	2	3%
Missing Data	13,734	5,284	38%	4,585	33%	3,131	23%	254	2%	480	3%

Missing Ethnicity Data (n=411)

Child Welfare Service / Case Management System
2001 Child Welfare Facility Placements Prior to Termination by County

COUNTY	Total	FFH	%	GH	%	RH	%	FFA	%	*Other Homes	%
STATEWIDE	37,819	7,878	21%	5,485	15%	12,678	34%	6,523	17%	5,255	14%
ALAMEDA	1,458	403	28%	367	25%	305	21%	330	23%	53	4%
ALPINE	7	0	0%	0	0%	5	71%	2	29%	0	0%
AMADOR	50	9	18%	12	24%	5	10%	16	32%	8	16%
BUTTE	293	32	11%	19	6%	67	23%	149	51%	26	9%
CALAVERAS	32	1	3%	3	9%	12	38%	13	41%	3	9%
COLUSA	30	2	7%	14	47%	1	3%	13	43%	0	0%
CONTRA COSTA	715	225	31%	157	22%	206	29%	109	15%	18	3%
DEL NORTE	77	31	40%	9	12%	10	13%	24	31%	3	4%
EL DORADO	105	18	17%	20	19%	18	17%	46	44%	3	3%
FRESNO	1,274	288	23%	130	10%	297	23%	214	17%	345	27%
GLENN	31	5	16%	5	16%	3	10%	16	52%	2	6%
HUMBOLDT	183	88	48%	14	8%	30	16%	10	5%	41	22%
IMPERIAL	296	43	15%	25	8%	54	18%	6	2%	168	57%
INYO	15	1	7%	11	73%	3	20%	0	0%	0	0%
KERN	1,090	461	42%	61	6%	362	33%	165	15%	41	4%
KINGS	218	73	33%	15	7%	108	50%	13	6%	9	4%
LAKE	158	10	6%	7	4%	31	20%	110	70%	0	0%
LASSEN	85	2	2%	9	11%	13	15%	58	68%	3	4%
LOS ANGELES	7,614	674	9%	998	13%	4,105	54%	1,199	16%	638	8%
MADERA	130	20	15%	34	26%	28	22%	27	21%	21	16%
MARIN	115	57	50%	31	27%	20	17%	2	2%	5	4%
MARIPOSA	13	8	62%	0	0%	2	15%	2	15%	1	8%
MENDOCINO	122	39	32%	22	18%	37	30%	22	18%	2	2%
MERCED	303	132	44%	61	20%	33	11%	67	22%	10	3%
MODOC	38	1	3%	14	37%	1	3%	22	58%	0	0%
MONO	3	2	67%	0	0%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%
MONTEREY	287	117	41%	93	32%	54	19%	20	7%	3	1%
NAPA	28	14	50%	3	11%	6	21%	1	4%	4	14%
NEVADA	78	19	24%	11	14%	5	6%	27	35%	16	21%
ORANGE	1,166	163	14%	209	18%	320	27%	143	12%	331	28%
PLACER	250	45	18%	49	20%	65	26%	64	26%	27	11%
PLUMAS	18	0	0%	1	6%	4	22%	13	72%	0	0%
RIVERSIDE	1,900	511	27%	224	12%	897	47%	157	8%	111	6%
SACRAMENTO	2,795	567	20%	665	24%	594	21%	810	29%	159	6%
SAN BENITO	15	2	13%	0	0%	5	33%	8	53%	0	0%
SAN BERNARDINO	2,534	443	17%	620	24%	813	32%	440	17%	218	9%
SAN DIEGO	2,579	608	24%	184	7%	730	28%	76	3%	981	38%
SAN FRANCISCO	511	96	19%	37	7%	211	41%	124	24%	43	8%
SAN JOAQUIN	709	86	12%	51	7%	114	16%	145	20%	313	44%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	141	29	21%	16	11%	47	33%	35	25%	14	10%
SAN MATEO	312	66	21%	79	25%	42	13%	60	19%	65	21%
SANTA BARBARA	211	115	55%	41	19%	32	15%	12	6%	11	5%
SANTA CLARA	1,687	281	17%	154	9%	287	17%	153	9%	812	48%
SANTA CRUZ	263	156	59%	46	17%	38	14%	13	5%	10	4%
SHASTA	309	186	60%	18	6%	52	17%	30	10%	23	7%
SIERRA	4	0	0%	2	50%	1	25%	1	25%	0	0%
SISKIYOU	91	4	4%	9	10%	14	15%	58	64%	6	7%
SOLANO	307	42	14%	143	47%	21	7%	80	26%	21	7%
SONOMA	159	28	18%	69	43%	32	20%	20	13%	10	6%
STANISLAUS	282	91	32%	21	7%	92	33%	61	22%	17	6%
SUTTER	86	27	31%	9	10%	19	22%	25	29%	6	7%
TEHAMA	165	65	39%	20	12%	19	12%	57	35%	4	2%
TRINITY	55	40	73%	6	11%	2	4%	5	9%	2	4%
TULARE	647	149	23%	81	13%	274	42%	133	21%	10	2%
TUOLUMNE	74	47	64%	9	12%	4	5%	4	5%	10	14%
VENTURA	211	49	23%	60	28%	63	30%	16	8%	23	11%
YOLO	160	15	9%	31	19%	68	43%	44	28%	2	1%
YUBA	153	46	30%	12	8%	30	20%	60	39%	5	3%
Missing Data	5,177	1,146	22%	474	9%	1,966	38%	993	19%	598	12%

* Other Homes are facilities such as County Shelter/Receiving Homes, Court Specified Homes, Small Family Homes, and Tribe Specified Homes.

FFH = Foster Family Home
GH = Group Home
RH = Relative Home
FFA = Foster Family Agency

Child Welfare Service / Case Management System

Termination of Child Welfare Supervised Children Out-Of-Home Care Placements

Calendar Year 2001
Total CWS/CMS Cases: 37,813

		Totals	**%**
TOTAL TERMINATED PLACEMENTS:		37,813	100%
ETHNICITY:	White	13,534	36%
	Hispanic	12,539	33%
	African American	9,392	25%
	American Indian	632	2%
	a/ Other Races	1,235	3%
	Missing Data	481	1%
AGES:	0-1	2,569	7%
	2-5	8,305	22%
	6-10	8,951	24%
	11-12	3,152	8%
	13-14	3,210	8%
	15-16	4,031	11%
	17-18	5,865	16%
	19-21	1,700	4%
	Missing Data	30	0%
TERMINATION REASONS:	Reunification with Parent/Guardian:	20,698	55%
	Adoption Finalized:	5,625	15%
	c/ Guardianship:	4,014	11%
	Emancipation/Age of Majority:	3,635	10%
	b/ Other Reasons:	3,055	8%
	Missing Data:	786	2%

a/ Other Races refers to other ethnic groups such as Pacific Islander, Asian, and Filipino.
b/ Other Reasons include reasons such as Child Ran Away, Child Refused Services, Death, Incarceration, and Committed to State Hospital.
c/ As of January 2000, Kin-GAP exits are included in terminations due to Guardianship.